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## Clean Up Portland Harbor

Letter

Dr. Ms. McCarthy, The proposed cleanup of the Portland Harbor is a big win for industry and a bad deal for the public. EPA's cleanup proposal tackles just 8% of a site area that is 100% toxic. A more aggressive plan is needed to prevent even more harm to human health and the environment. On behalf of all people who rely on the river for food, recreation, employment and culture, I urge the EPA to implement a plan that: Moves quickly and sustainably reduces contaminants causing harm to Willamette and Columbia River resources. Includes ongoing monitoring and cleanup upriver and downriver from the site. Contributes to healthy fish that are safe to eat for all people. Holds polluters accountable for creating a safer Portland Harbor. These elements get us closer to the plan our communities deserve. And I deserve a clean, safe Portland Harbor. \*Submitted during the comment period between June 9, 2016 to August 8, 2016 regarding the EPA's Portland Harbor Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan.

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- We must remove as much contaminated sediment as possible from this area, beyond what is required in Alternative G of the Feasibility Study.
- We must limit the amount of Monitored Natural Recovery throughout the site.
- We must have fish that are safe to consume, without raising cancer risk for people, when the cleanup is complete.
- We must utilize capping technology, where clean materials are put over contaminated sediments to hold them in place only where it is technically feasible, and where it will never impede navigation. We must also realize that capping has costs for the long-term with perpetual monitoring that adds to the cost of such measures.
- We must ensure that when sediment is removed from the river in this area, that it is disposed of safely.
- We must also ensure that polluters pay for their full share of the Cleanup.